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REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

In response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2006, the response to which is due March 22, 2007, the Applicant submits the following Amendment and Remarks.

The Applicant does not believe that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in the documents accompanying this paper. If extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.